

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 588

H. P. 413

House of Representatives, February 11, 1975

Speaker laid before the House and on motion of Mr. Mills of Eastport, Motion Withdrawn. Referred to the Committee on State Government. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Silverman of Calais.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-FIVE

AN ACT to Change the Name of Department of Inland Fisheries and Game to Department of Fisheries and Wildlife.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

Sec. 1. 12 MRSA § 1951, as last amended by PL 1969, c. 504, § 21, is further amended to read:

§ 1951. Appointment; deputy

A Commissioner of ~~Inland Fisheries and Game~~ **Fisheries and Wildlife**, as heretofore appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Council and in chapters 301 to 335 called the "commissioner," shall hold office for 3 years and shall serve until his successor is appointed and qualified. The commissioner shall appoint, subject to the Personnel Law, a ~~Deputy Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Game~~ **Deputy Commissioner of Fisheries and Wildlife**. The commissioner shall make a report to the Governor on or before the 31st day of December of each year for the year ending June 30th prior thereto.

The commissioner shall receive all necessary traveling expenses.

Sec. 2. 12 MRSA § 1952, as last amended by PL 1965, c. 138, § 1, is further amended to read:

§ 1952. Duties and office; sale of confiscated arms and ammunition

The commissioner shall have general supervision of the administration and enforcement of the ~~inland fish and game fisheries and wildlife~~ laws. Under his direction his deputy shall assist him in the performance of his duties,

particularly in field work and including the inspection of hatcheries and similar property, and in supervision of wardens and inspection of warden service. The commissioner shall have an office at the State Capitol and adequate facilities for the transaction of the business of his department which shall be known as the Department of ~~Inland Fisheries and Game~~ **Fisheries and Wildlife**, in chapters 301 to 335 designated as the "department."

The commissioner is authorized to sell all arms and ammunition held or confiscated by the State for violation of laws relating to the protection of ~~inland fish and game~~ **fisheries and wildlife**. He shall transmit all moneys received by such sales forthwith to the Treasurer of State to be credited to the department.

Sec. 3. Amendatory clause. Wherever in the Revised Statutes, the words "Department of Inland Fisheries and Game" and "Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Game" appear, they shall mean "Department of Fisheries and Wildlife" and "Commissioner of Fisheries and Wildlife" respectively.

Sec. 4. Amendatory clause. Wherever in the private and special laws of 1959, chapters 154 and 155, the words "Department of Inland Fisheries and Game" appear they shall mean "Department of Fisheries and Wildlife" and "Commissioner of Fisheries and Wildlife" respectively.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to change the name of the Department of Inland Fisheries and Game to the Department of Fisheries and Wildlife.